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1. INDIANA UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT DR. JOHN W. RYAN AND WARSAW UNIVERSITY RECTOR PROFESSOR ZYGMUNT RYBICKI SIGNED AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THEIR TWO UNIVERSITIES ON OCTOBER 4 ESTABLISHING AN AMERICAN STUDIES CENTER AT WARSAW UNIVERSITY AND A POLISH STUDIES CENTER AT THE BLOOMINGTON CAMPUS OF INDIANA UNIVERSITY, WHICH CONCLUDED OVER THREE YEARS OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO INSTITUTIONS ON THIS PROJECT. THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED AT THE CONCLUSION OF A MEETING OF OVER 30 WARSAW UNIVERSITY SENATE MEMBERS, DEANS, AND FACULTY MEMBERS WHO ARE CONCERNED WITH AMERICAN STUDIES AND EXPANDED COOPERATION WITH INDIANA UNIVERSITY, WITH PRESIDENT RYAN AND INDIANA UNIVERSITY'S DEAN FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, PROFESSOR GEORGE WILSON.

2. ALSO ON OCTOBER 4, PRESIDENT RYAN, DEAN WILSON, AND DR. RICHARD DORSON, DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR OF AMERICAN STUDIES AT INDIANA
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UNIVERSITY, WERE PRESENT ON THE PRESIDUM WITH RECTOR ZYGMUNT

RYBICKI AND THE SENIOR MEMBERS OF THE WARSAW UNIVERSITY SENATE FOR THE FORMAL INAUGURATION OF THE 1976/77 ACADEMIC YEAR AT WARSAW UNIVERSITY. RECTOR RYBICKI TOOK NOTE OF THE VISITING INDIANA UNIVERSITY DELEGATION IN HIS INAUGURAL ADDRESS TO THE ASSEMBLED MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION, SCIENCE, AND TECHNOLOGY OFFICIALS, THE PRESIDENT (MAYOR) OF WARSAW, AND THE FACULTY AND STUDENTS OF WARSAW UNIVERSITY, BY ANNOUNCING THAT LATER THAO AFTERNOON HE AND PRESIDENT RYAN WOULD SIGN AN AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE TWO CENTERS. THE ANNOUNCEMENT WAS FOLLOWED BY ENTHUSIASTIC APPLAUSE. AFTER THE INAUGURAL CEREMONIES, MANY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE, INCLUDING THE MAYOR OF WARSAW, THE PARTY FIRST SECRETARIES FOR WARSAW UNIVERSITY AND THE WARSAW WOJEWODSHIP, AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE WARSAW UNIVERSITY TEACHERS UNION, CAME FORWARD TO EXPRESS THEIR PERSONAL SATISFACTION WITH THE NEW EXCHANGE PROGRAM. NUMEROUS OTHER WARSAW UNIVERSITY FACULTY MEMBERS POINTED OUT TO THE INDIANA UNIVERSITY DELEGATION THAT THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME IN RECENT HISTORY, AT LEAST, THAT AN AMERICAN DELEGATION HAD BEEN INCLUDED IN THE INAUGURAL CEREMONIES AT WARSAW UNIVERSITY AND THAT THEY WERE MOST PLEASED BOTH WITH THE NEW EXCHANGE AGREEMENT AND THE OBVIOUS IMPORTANCE THAT THE WARSAW UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION ATTACHED TO THIS AGREEMENT, WHICH WAS DEMONSTRATED BY THE INCLUSION OF THE INDIANA DELEGATION IN THE INAUGURAL CEREMONIES.

3. ON OCTOBER 5, PROFESSOR DORSON DELIVERED THE FIRST LECTURE SCHEDULED AT WARSAW UNIVERSITY'S ASC. PROFESSOR DORSON SPOKE ON "THE BIRTH OF AMERICAN STUDIES IN AMERICA" TO AN AUDIENCE OF OVER 100 PERSONS, INCLUDING WARSAW UNIVERSITY'S VICE RECTOR FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, PROFESSOR ZDZISLAW MIKULSKI (RECTOR RYBICKI COULD NOT BE PRESENT BECAUSE OF THE INAUGURAL CEREMONIES SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 5 AT THE WARSAW UNIVERSITY CAMPUS IN BIALYSTOCK), AND OTHER DEANS, DEPARTMENT CHAIRMEN, FACULTY MEMBERS, AND STUDENTS CONCERNED WITH AMERICAN STUDIES. VICE RECTOR MIKULSKI INTRODUCED PROFESSOR DORSON, POINTING OUT THAT HIS LECTURE WAS THE FIRST TO BE ARRANGED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE NEW ASC AT WARSAW UNIVERSITY. HE ALSO EMPHASIZED THAT THE ASC WAS THE FIRST SUCH INSTITUTION TO BE ESTABLISHED IN POLAND AND THAT IT WAS WARSAW UNIVERSITY'S DESIRE THAT THE ASC SERVE AS AN ADVISORY ORGANIZATION TO OTHER POLISH UNIVERSITIES IN THE OPERATION OF AMERICAN STUDIES PROGRAMS ON THEIR CAMPUSES. HE WENT ON TO

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SAY THAT THE ASC WAS THE FIRST SUCH INSTITUTION TO BE ESTABLISHED IN A SOCIALIST COUNTRY AND THAT WARSAW UNIVERSITY, THEREFORE, LOOKED FORWARD TO THE DAY WHEN THEIR ASC MIGHT ADVISE UNIVERSITIES IN OTHER SOCIALIST COUNTRIES ON THE OPERATION OF AMERICAN STUDIES PROGRAMS. PROFESSOR DORSON'S EXCELLENT LECTURE WAS ENTHUSIASTICALLY RECEIVED BY THE AUDIENCE. PREPARATIONS ARE UNDERWAY FOR ITS PUBLICATION BY THE ASC LATER THIS YEAR. PROFESSOR DORSON WAS ABLE TO BRING HIS SCHOLARSHIP AND PERSONAL EXPERIENCE TOGETHER IN A

PARTICULARLY EFFECTIVE MANNER FOR THIS LECTURE. HE WAS PRESENT AT THE CREATION OF AMERICAN STUDIES AS ONE OF THE FIRST GRADUATE STUDENTS IN THIS FIELD AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY IN THE EARLY 1940'S.

WE ARE MOST PLEASED THAT HE WAS ABLE TO TAKE THE TIME FROM HIS BUSY SCHEDULE TO DELIVER THIS LECTURE.

4. THE INDIANA DELEGATION VISITED KRAKOW ON OCTOBER 2 AS GUESTS OF WARSAW UNIVERSITY. RECTOR RYBICKI HOSTED A DINNER FOR THE DELEGATION ON THE EVENING OF OCTOBER 4. ASC DIRECTOR BARTNICKI HOSTED THE DELEGATION AT HIS HOME FOR DINNER ON OCTOBER 3.

5. AMBASSADOR DAVIES AND THE CAO MET WITH THE INDIANA DELEGATION ON OCTOBER 4. WE BELIEVE THAT PRESIDENT RYAN AND DEAN WILSON WERE HIGHLY IMPRESSED WITH BOTH THE HOSPITALITY EXTENDED TO THEO BY RECTOR RYBICKI AND WARSAW UNIVERSITY AND THE OBVIOUS ENTHUSIASM OF THE WARSAW UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION, FACULTY MEMBERS, AND STUDENTS FOR THIS NEW EXCHANGE. WE POINTED OUT TO PRESIDENT RYAN AND DEAN WILSON THAT WE ENVISAGE CONTINUED EMBASSY SUPPORT FOR THIS PROJECT AT ITS PRESENT LEVEL. PRESIDENT RYAN SAID THAT HE HAS BEEN MOST INTERESTED IN THIS PROJECT SINCE ITS INCEPTION AND THAT HE WILL ACTIVELY SEEK FURTHER SUPPORT FOR THS PROJECT BOTH AT INDIANA UNIVERSITY AND IN THE PRIVATE COMMUNITY IN INDIANA UPON HIS RETURN. PRESIDENT RYAN MATCHED RECTOR RYBICKI'S HOSPITALITY AND WIT AT EVERY TURN DURING THE FIVE-DAY VISIT WITH HIS OWN GRACIOUSNESS AND ORATORICAL SKILL. IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THE TWO ADMINISTRATORS WERE IMPRESSED WITH EACH OTHER AND THAT THEY ARE PERSONALLY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THE NEW COOPERATION BETWEEN THEIR INSTITUTIONS. PRESIDENT RYAN HAS A NUMBER OF IDEAS OF HIS OWN FOR EXPANDED COOPERATION, WHICH HE INTENDS TO EXPLORE IN THE NEAR FUTURE AT INDIANA.

6. THE EMBASSY REQUESTS NO PUBLICITY FOR THIS EVENT ON VOA OR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OTHER USIA MEDIA FOR THE PRESENT. WE ARE DISCUSSING AN AMERYKA ARTICLE ON THE OPENING WITH THE ASC DIRECTOR THIS WEEK AND WILL ADVISE.
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